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U.S. Application No.: 10/089,963

PCT Application No.: PCT/GB00/03964

Int. Filing Date: 16 October 2000
Priority Date: 19 October 1999
Attorney Docket No.: 216190
For: METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR

DRIVING A QUADRUPOLE ION TRAP

DEVICE

DECISION

This is in response to applicant's "PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.182" filed 10 December 2002, to correct the international application number on the first page of the transmittal letter filed on 08 April 2002. A petition fee of \$130.00 was charged to applicant's deposit account per their authorization. The petition is **GRANTED**.

On 16 October 2000, applicants filed international application No. PCT/GB00/03964, which claimed a priority date of 19 October 1999 and which designated the United States.

A Demand was filed with the International Preliminary Examining Authority electing the United States. As a result the deadline for payment of the basic national fee was extended to expire 30 months from the priority date, or on 19 April 2002.

On 08 April 2002, applicants filed a transmittal letter for entry into the national stage in the United States accompanied by, inter alia, the basic national fee. The first page of the transmittal letter incorrectly indicated international application no. PCT/GB00/03946; it should have read PCT/GB00/03964 as listed on the subsequent pages.

On 10 December 2002, applicants filed the instant petition requesting rectification of incorrect international application no. identifying the correct international application no. as PCT/GB00/03964.

The application is being forwarded to the US Designated/Elected Office for further processing as the national stage of PCT/GB00/03964, assigned U.S. serial number 10/089,963.

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